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DES to Provide Salvage Yard Enforcement Training for Municipalities

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services and the New Hampshire Municipal Association will be providing local officials free training to help them meet their responsibilities under RSA 236:111-129 for licensing auto salvage yards. The 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. training workshops will be provided in Keene on February 14, Chocorua on February 21, and Concord on February 22.

The workshops will highlight a recent change in state law that now requires local officials to have applicants for a town-issued "junkyard" license certify they are operating their auto salvage yard in compliance with certain existing environmental rules and regulations. DES is developing a number of tools to help both local officials and salvage yards operators properly implement the self-certification process, including a compliance checklist and workbook.

The workshops will provide an excellent opportunity for local officials to become acquainted with the tools and to obtain important information about state and local licensing requirements, applicable environmental rules and regulations, and facility inspection, compliance and enforcement methods. For additional workshop information and agenda details, visit www.des.nh.gov/sw/greenyards.

Attendees must register in advance. To reserve a seat and request a workshop information package, contact DES at (603) 271-1749 or nhgeenyard@des.state.nh.us.